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October 7, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**TERMINATE CONTRACT
PROJECT ID NO. RMD4446003
PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING RD 146/446, FY 2003-04
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 4
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Terminate Project ID No. RMD4446003, Parkway Tree Trimming RD 146/446, FY 2003-04, with George Salinas Tree Preservation (Salinas), P.O. Box 84, Placentia, California 92871, in the amount of \$86,498.00, for the trimming and removal of parkway trees in the vicinities of Whittier and Santa Fe Springs, and instruct the Interim Director of Public Works to notify the contractor of the Board action taken.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On May 11, 2004, your Board awarded this project to Salinas for the trimming and removal of parkway trees in the vicinities of Whittier and Santa Fe Springs. The contractor's workers' compensation insurance expired on July 1, 2004, and a renewal was not received. The contractor was notified numerous times to submit the required documents, and on September 21, 2004, the contractor was directed in a certified letter to submit these documents by September 23, 2004, or we would recommend to your

Board that their contract be cancelled. To date, we still have not received the renewed workers' compensation insurance. Therefore, termination of this contract is in the County's best interest. We recommend that your Board terminate the contract in accordance with Section VII, Subsection F, Termination of Contract, of the contract specifications.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since it will provide for terminating the contract with a nonresponsible contractor and will allow us to complete the work of the contract by force account.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Funds to cover the cost of this contract were encumbered under the adopted 2003-04 Road Fund Budget. Approximately 60 percent of the funds were used to compensate the contractor for work completed. The remaining funds will be credited to the Road Fund and will ultimately be used for the completion of the work of the contract by Public Works forces.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract specifications provide for the termination of the contract by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended action will not have a significant impact on residents or motorists.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Interim Director of Public Works

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